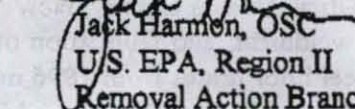


**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT****I. HEADING**

Date: October 27, 1997

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POLREP NO. 4

II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	S7
Delivery Order No.:	2101-02-010
Response Authority:	CERCLA
ERNS No.:	N/A
CERCLIS No.:	NYD002249563
NPL Status:	Non-NPL
Action Memo Status:	Approved on 9/26/97
Start Date:	9/30/97
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

B. Site Description

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminate debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Removal Actions to Date

10/20/97 - 10/25/97: On October 20, ERCS awarded the Transportation and Disposal (T&D) subcontract to Waste Management of NY, Inc. (Waste Management). Waste Management will be responsible for the T&D of PCB contaminated debris. Electric power was hooked up to the site office trailer on October 22. Twenty-five tons of crusher run stone was delivered to site on October 22. The stone will be used to make repairs to the truck route as needed once T&D begins. Four roll-off boxes were delivered to site on October 23. ERCS began loadout of PCB contaminated debris on this date. On October 25, ERCS cut up the brush pile into smaller, more manageable pieces. The brush pile is awaiting removal by the City of Utica Department of Public Works.

A newspaper reporter and photographer from the Utica Observer-Dispatch visited the site on October 23 to conduct an interview with the OSC and photograph site operations.

START continued to conduct contractor monitoring, health and safety oversight, technical support, and documentation throughout all site activity.

2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

B. Planned Removal Actions

ERCS will continue loadout and T&D of PCB contaminated debris during the week of October 27.

C. Key Issues

N/A

V. COST INFORMATION AS OF OCTOBER 27, 1997 *

ERCS Contractor	\$	1,774,040
START Contractor Costs		126,850
Intramural Costs		<u>206,888</u>
TOTAL	\$	2,107,778
Project Ceiling	\$	5,990,000
Percent of Project Funds Remaining		64.8%

* The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.